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GOVERNOR NAPOLITANO TO OPEN NEW OFFICE ON AGING
Unprecedented Approach Will Address Issues Specific to Aging Population

PHOENIX – Tomorrow morning, Governor Janet Napolitano will cut the ribbon and officially open the new “Office on Aging.” This is a first for Arizona – rather than relying solely on an advisory council, the state will now have a unit devoted to understanding our state’s swiftly changing demographics.

“Arizona is in a period of rapid change that isn’t slowing down anytime soon,” said Governor Napolitano. “This new office will work to stay ahead of the curve on issues facing seniors, who are among our fastest growing populations.”

Arizona’s senior population will triple in the next 20 years. The new Office on Aging will complement ongoing programs to address issues like senior health coverage, adult protective services, and independent living programs, and will further the Governor’s emphasis on investment in the independence and well-being of Arizona seniors.

“This is the next step in elevating the issue of aging,” said Governor Napolitano. “Arizona should be a good place to grow up in and a good place to grow old in.”

DATE: Friday, September 7
TIME: 11 a.m.
LOCATION: Governor’s Executive Tower, 2nd Floor
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